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Caltrans Accelerates Repairs on State Route 85 in Santa Clara County Due to SB 1 Funds

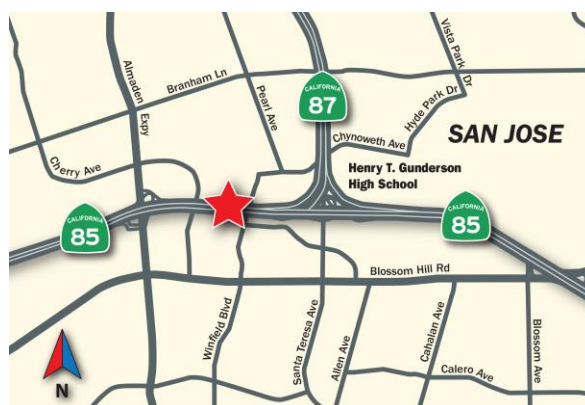
*Pavement Project Will Improve Nearly 17 Lane Miles Providing a Safer
& Smoother Commute for Motorists*

SAN JOSE — Caltrans continues repair work on nearly 17 lane miles of State Route 85 from U.S. Highway 101, in the city of San Jose to Winfield Boulevard in Santa Clara County, due to the funds from Senate Bill 1 (SB 1), the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017.

“SB 1 continues to make road improvements possible throughout the state,” Caltrans Director Laurie Berman said. “This is especially important for the Silicon Valley, where the roads have been battered by decades of explosive population growth.”

More than 150,000 motorists per day use this stretch of State Route 85, including Silicon Valley commuters, Bay Area tourists, and local traffic. The high volume of vehicles causes significant wear and tear on the pavement.

“State Route 85 is a vitally important route through the Silicon Valley,” said Caltrans District 4 Director Tony Tavares. “In many ways, the economic health of the Silicon Valley relies on a healthy State Route 85. This project will bring immediate long-term repairs that will provide a safer and smoother road surface for both the residents and businesses.”



This \$5.4 million pavement project has been awarded to Granite Construction. Work began in late July to replace damaged pavement, fill potholes, and complete long-lasting repairs to

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restore the roadway and improve traffic safety. Motorists are encouraged to plan ahead, use alternate routes, and Be Work Zone Alert.

The work will be done at night, and will require multiple lane closures. Drivers should expect delays and allow for extra travel time. Work schedule is subject to change due to traffic incidents, weather, availability of equipment and/or materials, and other construction-related issues. More information and updates on projects can be found at <http://www.dot.ca.gov/d4/projects> or on Twitter via @CaltransDist4.

SB 1 provides an ongoing funding increase of approximately \$1.8 billion annually for the maintenance and rehabilitation of the state highway system. SB 1 funds will enable Caltrans to fix more than 17,000 lane miles of pavement, 500 bridges and 55,000 culverts by 2027.

Caltrans is committed to conducting its business in a fully transparent manner and detailing its progress to the public. For complete details on SB 1, visit <http://www.rebuildingca.ca.gov/>.

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